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NO OBJECTIONS ARE MADE.

SENOR DE LOME WILL SOON BE SPAIN'S NEW MINISTER.

Secretary Gresham finds no fault with the appointment of the late minister who leaves Washington with no regrets—He had much trouble.

Washington, March 26.—In his dispatch accepting Minister Muruaga's resignation the new prime minister of Spain requested that Senor Muruaga ask Secretary Gresham if Dupuy de Lome would be acceptable as his successor. Senor Muruaga sent a note to the secretary in which was incorporated the inquiry. To this note a reply was received last evening stating that Senor de Lome would be in every way acceptable to the administration. The substance of the secretary's note was that Senor de Lome will arrive in Washington about the 15th prox. Senor Muruaga will discharge the functions of minister until that time.

The senator will leave Washington with no regrets. His duties for several months have not been enviable. He has been diligent in his endeavors to prevent the shipment of munition of war from the United States to the insurgents in Cuba. He has been fully advised by the Spanish consuls at the various seaports of the country as to the movements of the Cuban sympathizers in the United States, but he has not succeeded in all cases in preventing their successful operations. It is not doubted that Secretary Gresham, acting through the department of justice, has labored zealously to prevent any infraction of our neutrality laws and to discourage any aid and comfort being given the rebels against a friendly power.

But it is undeniable that his efforts have not always been successful and the result has been to place the Spanish minister in an awkward position with the home government. The embarrassments under which he has labored have not been fully appreciated there, but on the contrary he has been severely criticised for his lack of success in dealing with Cuban affairs.

There is no foundation for the belief that Secretary Gresham has notified the Madrid government that Senor Muruaga is no longer acceptable to him. What the secretary's opinions may have been of some of the published utterances attributed to the minister regarding the Alliance affair is not known, but he has not officially taken cognizance of them.

CHANGES BEING PLANNED.

Intentions of the Whiskey Trust Regarding Distilleries. Chicago, March 26.—Extensive changes are being planned by the Whiskey Trust in the ownership of its distilleries. It is understood that the reorganization committee will purchase outright a number of distilleries under the privilege to purchase clause which is contained in the lease of most of the property.

On the other hand Receiver McNulta has decided to drop a number of leases of dismantled properties on April 1. The income of the trust is expected to be largely increased by this policy. On account of the failure to get out notes in time for the filing of claims before the master-in-chancery for April 5 the attorneys for the receivers have applied to the court and will obtain leave to extend the time for filing all claims, including rebate claims, to and including April 25.

JOINED THE ATLANTA.

Admiral Meade Soon to Command a Fine Fleet.

Washington, March 26.—The cruiser Raleigh rejoined the Atlanta at Colon yesterday after a week's stay at Cartagena, where she went for coal. As affairs are now quiet on the isthmus it is probable she will join Admiral Meade's squadron at Kingston. The fleet, which left San Domingo on Saturday, should have reached Kingston Sunday unless, as is believed at the navy department, it cruised around the island of Hayti and through the Windward Passage, off Cape Mayai, where the Alliance incident occurred. The Columbia should reach Kingston about Friday, when Admiral Meade will be in command of the largest and finest American fleet that has ever met in a British port.

Two Yale Men.

Hartford, March 26.—Dr. S. E. Childs and his brother Frank returned at 7 o'clock last night from their trip to Florida. They were gone twenty-five days and had a most enjoyable time. At Jacksonville they were entertained by Joseph Robinson Parrott, a classmate of the doctor's in Yale '82, and a vice president of the Jacksonville, St. Augustine & Indian River railroad. Mr. Parrott took them in his private car to Lake Worth and Palm Beach. The doctor and his brother spent much of their time hunting and fishing. They say the country presents a sad appearance after the frost.

Foul Play Suspected.

Cedarville, O., March 26.—The suburban residence of Mr. William H. Walker was burned this morning. The fire originated in a detached room in which slept a relative, Sanford Wilson, who was burned beyond recognition. He was an old soldier and had drawn a large pension yesterday. His skull was found to be crushed, and foul play is suspected.

Killed at State Line.

Great Barrington, March 26.—Edward Gannon, a brakeman on the Berkshire division of the New Haven road, was killed at State Line this evening while making up a train.

MR. ROCKEFELLER.

Gave One Hundred and Fifty Dollars Toward the Monument.

New London, March 26.—Hon. John D. Rockefeller of the Standard Oil Company, one of the wealthy men of America, is a descendant of the old Avery family of this vicinity and who owned the old homestead recently burned near Pequonnock. Since the fire an association has been formed, with Allen Avery of this place as president, for the purpose of erecting a monument on the spot as a memorial, and Mr. Rockefeller has recently given \$150 towards the monument.

STOCK-BROKER SWINDLED.

Superintendent Byrnes Tells a Story of a Prisoner's Dealings.

New York, March 26.—Superintendent Byrnes told in the detective bureau today of the capture of the man who is accused of defrauding Brouwer & McGowan, brokers in the New York stock exchange, with offices at No. 2 Wall street, out of \$15,000. The prisoner is George D. Burton of Boston, Mass., where he was arrested Sunday night.

Last December he was introduced by George E. Bell to Brouwer & McGowan as an electrician connected with the Boston Heating and Power company. He said he wanted to get \$15,000 to put into the company for which he worked, and offered to pay \$1,500 bonus for the loan. He got the \$15,000 in three notes, but instead of using them as collateral, as he had promised, he sold the notes, and is now in the possession of the innocent purchasers.

This, however, was not the extent of Burton's trick. The \$1,500 bonus paid by him was a check for \$500 on the Market National bank, Boston, and a draft for \$1,000 on himself. Both papers were found to be worthless. Detectives have been searching for Burton ever since, but he is not a professional criminal and he was difficult to trace him. Detective Rynder got him in the New England house, Boston, last Sunday and brought him here.

Burton was taken to the district attorney's office to-day in the custody of Detective Sergeant Von Gerichten. He was held to be arraigned before Judge Fitzgerald in general sessions.

Mr. Brouwer & McGowan said this afternoon, "Burton is a respectable man, and quite prominent in Boston. He is president of the United States Electrical Forging company of that city and the senior member of the George D. Burton Heating and Forging company. He is the inventor of the Burton stock car, which is used extensively by the railroads for the transfer of live stock. Why he did this I do not know. I suppose he was in financial straits and overreached himself probably."

Died of Heart Failure.

New York, March 26.—Samuel McKee, an actor, sixty-four years old, died suddenly early this morning of heart failure in Twenty-third street. He had been playing with "The Brownies" company in Brooklyn, and was on his way to his home in Ninety-seventh street. He was with two friends, when he stopped suddenly and said he was ill. He died in a few minutes afterwards.

Granted the Application.

New York, March 26.—Judge Beekman has granted the application of John F. Wlechers as ancillary executor of the will of Herman Grote for the production of an agreement which was signed by Cyrus W. Field on April 12, 1888, under which it is alleged, Mr. Field rendered him assistance as a general partner of the firm of Field, Lindley & Co. and was a special partner, as he was when he entered the firm.

Must Indemnify Emigrants.

Rome, March 26.—The Italian emigration commission have adjudged that the steamship agents shall indemnify two Italian emigrants, who were refused permission to land at New York and were sent back to this country by the authorities, for the loss sustained by them.

Victory for Democrats.

Catskill, N. Y., March 26.—The charter election to-day resulted in a democratic victory, that party gaining control of the village for the first time in a dozen years.

HE ENDED HIS LIFE.

A Well Known Theatrical Man Commits Suicide.

New York, March 26.—Arthur B. Chase, a retired theatrical manager, forty-four years of age, fatally shot himself to-night at his home, 214 Seventh avenue. Mr. Chase occupied the first flat with his wife and five-year-old boy. His wife's mother lived on the floor above with her son. At 7:30 to-night Mr. Chase, who seemed to be in good spirits, asked his wife to take the child to her mother's apartments, as he wanted to take a nap. She did so and on returning to her rooms a few minutes later she found her husband lying unconscious on the floor of the dining room with the blood oozing from a wound in his right temple and with a revolver clutched in his right hand and in his left a hand mirror. Mrs. Chase roused the house with her screams. An ambulance was summoned and the dying man removed to the New York hospital, where he expired an hour later. Mrs. Chase said her husband had been in ill health for the past two years and she regarded this as the cause of his act. His brother-in-law stated that he had been Edwin Booth's manager for six years and had managed the Booth-Burritt-Modjeska combination. Up to two years ago Mr. Chase was the manager of the Holyoke opera house, Holyoke, Mass. He was a member of the Players' club and the Knights of Pythias.

WHITTEN WAS RELEASED.

HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDINGS BROUGHT IN U. S. COURT.

Will be Argued at Noon to-day—Whitten Released on Bonds—His Attorney Claims His Arrest Was Unconstitutional—L. B. Hinman Qualified as Bondsman.

Before Judge W. K. Townsend in the United States court yesterday an application for a writ of habeas corpus was made by Attorney W. H. Baker of Boston, representing Dr. George E. Whitten. Prior to the application being made Lucius B. Hinman, Whitten's bondsman, had surrendered him to the custody of Sheriff Tomlinson.

After Judge Townsend had been informed of the turn affairs had taken he issued the writ of habeas corpus, commanding Sheriff Tomlinson to produce Dr. Whitten in the United States court for a hearing at 3 o'clock. The sheriff and the doctor were on hand promptly and the hearing began.

State Attorney Doolittle, however, was not present and Judge Townsend announced that under the circumstances he was unwilling to proceed with the hearing in his absence, and advised that Attorney Baker and Sheriff Tomlinson consult with the state attorney and see what his wishes were in the matter. They accordingly went to Mr. Doolittle, who said that he was indisposed and could not appear in court. He said, however, that he had no objection to Dr. Whitten being admitted to bonds for the present and that he would be present in the court to-day to argue the question as to whether Dr. Whitten should be released from custody or not.

After this conference Attorney Baker returned to the United States court and announced to Judge Townsend the result of the consultation. This was perfectly satisfactory and Dr. Whitten was immediately released under \$5,000 bonds. Lucius B. Hinman qualifying in the required amount. After this had been done court adjourned until 12 o'clock to-day, when the hearing on the habeas corpus proceedings will be resumed.

Killed With a Razor.

Saratoga, March 26.—Richard Jackson was killed to-day by Julius Bartlett. Jackson's throat was cut with a razor. William Palmer was also fatally slashed in the throat by Bartlett. Bartlett is under arrest.

Will Leave for Woodley.

Washington, March 26.—The president expects to leave the White house with his family next week and occupy "Woodley," his country residence, in the suburb of Washington. Early in June he will go with his family to Buzzard's Bay, while "Gray Gables" is being made ready for the summer stay. At present it is understood, the president does not anticipate any emergency requiring an extra session of congress.

Beginning of a Contest.

Washington, March 26.—Mrs. Rosetta D. Sprague, eldest child of the late Frederick Douglass, and wife of Nathan Sprague of this city, filed a petition to-day in the probate court in which she charges Mrs. Helen Douglass, her stepmother, and Lewis H. Douglass, her brother, with unlawfully retaining possession of her father's property and requests the court to grant her letters testamentary upon the estate. This is thought to be the beginning of a bitter contest between members of the family over the division of the estate.

FOOT GUARD.

The Armory Dedication—State Committee Appointed.

The dedication committee of the Governor's Foot Guard met in the armory last evening and the following sub-committees were appointed:

Committee on invitation—Captain Johnson, Lieutenant Bostwick, Lieutenant Clark.

Committee on entertainment—Lieutenant Clark, Lieutenant McIntyre, Sergeant Stannard.

Committee on armory and music—Lieutenant Bostwick, Sergeant Foster, Corporal McNell.

Committee on printing and program—Lieutenant Embler, Sergeant Jerome, Corporal McNell.

A Wedding.

Last evening at Oppora hall took place the wedding of Miss Minnie Greenberg, daughter of Mr. J. Greenberg, to Mr. Maurice Phillips of New York city. A large gathering of friends and relatives of the young couple were present.

Hon. G. M. Landers' Condition.

New Britain, March 26.—Hon. George M. Landers' condition to-day is very critical. He seems to be growing weaker. Dr. Curtis of Hartford and Dr. Cooley of this city are attending him.

New Cottage.

Hubbell, Merwin & Co., joiners, have begun the erection of a commodious cottage at Cossy Beach for Mr. Augustus Hausman, a popular and valued employee of the Hooker shoe manufacturing company. Mr. Hausman will occupy the cottage on the 1st of May.

YALE NOTES.

The annual banquet of the Cincinnati club will be held on Friday evening. It is expected that about thirty-five men will be present. Of the fifty-one races rowed so far between Oxford and Cambridge, Oxford has won twenty-eight and Cambridge twenty-one. The odd event was rowed in 1887 when Oxford's bow broke his oar, and the race was not counted. The annual race takes place this Saturday.

Dr. Phelps will publish this autumn from the press of T. Fisher Unwin, London, a volume of Chapman's plays. This book will contain four plays, with an introduction and foot notes, and will be included in the Mermaid series of old dramatists.

LOCAL NEWS JOTTINGS.

Mrs. Patrick Sullivan of 120 East street broke her right ankle Monday evening. In getting up hurriedly to answer the door bell she turned her ankle, breaking it. Flustered by the accident, she stepped out on the injured limb, compounding the fracture. Dr. Luby was summoned and found the woman in great agony. Her foot hung merely by the cords and skin.

Daniel A. Burrows, who, with his family, has been in Florida the past winter, was in Mystic this week. His family are in New Haven, where he will probably reside in the future.

The S. Goodman company has been organized here to conduct a retail jewelry business. The capital is \$10,000 in 400 shares of \$25 each, all paid in. The subscribers are Jacob Johnson 15 shares, Hattie Goodman 240, and Samuel Goodman one share, all of New Haven.

The New Haven Street Railway company has just completed the purchase of a lot located on Ferry street, near the property of the Consolidated road. The lot is 75 feet front by 250 feet deep, and plans will be drawn immediately for a big car house. This building is to be 70 feet wide and 225 feet deep. It will be large enough to hold at least fifty cars. The company is now obliged to house its cars in various parts of the town.

The company has just given an order for the construction of twenty new Jones open cars of the latest and most approved pattern.

Workmen have been engaged for several days in tearing down two old houses on George street, near the foot of College street, to make room for the new school building. These houses, it is claimed, once belonged to General Wooster. Under the stoop of one of the houses the workmen came across a large excavation built of masonry, which had a secret underground entrance leading to the street. It was in no way connected with the house. It is supposed that this was a hiding place in olden times for valuables, to keep them out of the hands of the Tories.

FAREWELL RECEPTION.

By Epworth M. E. Church to People to Their Pastor.

The members of the Epworth M. E. church, Orange street, will give a farewell reception to their pastor, Rev. R. T. Cooper, in the parlors of the church Thursday evening, March 28 at 8 o'clock. Every member of the church and every contributor to the building fund is cordially invited to be present. The committee is: Mrs. Sisson, Mrs. Miner, Mrs. Bradley, Mrs. Morse, A. H. Down, C. A. Morse, J. F. Welch, L. Hayne.

ORATORIO OF "ELIJAH."

Rehearsals for the May Musical Festival.

The rehearsals for the oratorio of "Elijah" and the choral concert to be given in connection with the May festival in this city, May 26, 27, and 28, will begin at Warner hall next Friday evening. Frank Damosch will conduct. Great interest is felt in this event among local singers and a large and capable chorus will be assembled. It is important that all who intend to sing should be present at the first rehearsal.

PINE CONCERT TO-NIGHT.

By New Haven Orchestral Club at the Hyperion.

Everyone who attends the third concert given by the New Haven Orchestral club to-night at the Hyperion will be sure of a rare treat. The soloists are Mr. Charles H. Mann, the well known baritone; Mr. E. F. Langzett, "cello; Mr. E. B. Warren, bells.

Fast Day Proclamation.

Hartford, March 26.—The following is the text of Governor Coffin's Fast day proclamation issued this afternoon:

Following an appropriate and honored custom I hereby appoint Friday, the 12th day of April, as a day of fasting and prayer. With devout thankfulness and with helpful regret for our shortcomings let the deeds, words and reflections of the day in our usual places of worship, in our homes and elsewhere be such as to renew and strengthen our faith in God, and our practical devotion to His truth.

O. VINCENT COFFIN.

By His Excellency's Command: WILLIAM C. MOWRY, Secretary of State.

At Epworth M. E. Church To-Night.

It is expected that the concert at the Epworth M. E. church this evening will be a very enjoyable affair, as the program will be rendered by colored artists of exceptional merit. The following ladies and gentlemen will render duets, solos, choruses, jubilee melodies and recitations:

Mme. De May Godette, soprano.

Mme. Thompson, contralto.

Mr. J. Godette, tenor.

Mr. R. H. Thompson, bass.

Mr. C. H. Wemms, baritone.

Miss Adeline Saunders, elocutionist.

The Durham trio.

Miss Kate Douglas, pianist.

St. Ignatius Wins.

The St. Aloysius T. A. B. society held their monthly smoker last evening in the society rooms on Chapel street. The pool team of the St. Ignatius T. A. B. society was pitted against the team of the St. Aloysius society. The former was victorious by a score of 131 to 113.

At Humphrey Street Church.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Humphrey street Congregational church cleared \$41 by their recent literary and musical entertainment. A fifteen cent tea will be given in the parlors of the church this evening.

IT WAS A LIVELY SESSION.

SEVERAL TILTS BETWEEN SELECTMEN LAST NIGHT.

Selectman Bretzfelder Obj. etc. to Actions of Clerk Perry—Eight Town Physicians Appointed—Town Agent Baldwin Authorized to Purchase Supplies.

The session of the selectmen last evening was again more than usually lively, and frequently during the meeting the republicans and democratic members indulged in brief but spicy rejoinders. All the members of the board were present and Chairman Stahl presided.

Shortly after the meeting was opened Selectman Bretzfelder started the ball rolling by stating that he thought he had the right to inspect the books of the office without being compelled to consult the financial clerk, Fred L. Perry. He said that he came into the office and began to search for some books. Clerk Perry asked him what he wanted, and he replied to the clerk to the effect that it was none of his business.

"What I want to know," said he, "is whether the selectmen have any rights here or not. I am of the opinion that we have, and our salaries should respect them. I am one of the democratic minority. Still I believe that I have some rights, and think that the board should decide that no member, be he a democrat or republican, shall be continually insulted by our servants. The clerk also said something about putting on locks."

In reply Town Agent Baldwin said: "Selectman Bretzfelder comes into the office quite often. This morning Mr. Perry asked him what he wanted, and adds that if he asked for it he would add him to get it. I don't know what the selectman was looking for, but I do think it a matter of courtesy for a selectman to address the clerk in reference to the books of which the clerk has charge. The accounts and records of this office are open to the inspection of any member of the board, and also to any inquiring citizen. I heard Mr. Perry's remarks about the locks, and in my opinion they were hasty and in the wrong."

"I too, think the remarks about the locks were out of place," said selectman Cunningham. "Mr. Bretzfelder was in search of some information concerning committee work, and had the right to do so without any interference."

"In my private business," said Selectman Brown, "I have a clerk and I hold him responsible for all the books and documents. When I want one I ask him for it."

"But when you are looking up something you don't want your clerk to know about, you don't consult him, do you?" queried Selectman Bretzfelder. Every member of the board broke into a laugh at this, and the discussion was allowed to drop at this point without any action being taken.

Next the members appointed Drs. L. W. Bacon, Jr., G. F. Converse, Henry F. Klenke, J. H. Townsend, C. W. Vishno, J. A. Moore, Edward S. Thompson and F. A. Carrell town physicians. Dr. Bacon's salary was fixed at \$400 per annum, and he was instructed to visit the almshouse three times a week and the hospital once a week. Each of the other physicians will receive \$200 a year, and the work in the fifteen wards of the town will be divided proportionately between them. All the appointments date from April 1st.

Selectman Cunningham next introduced the following which, after a lengthy discussion was rejected by a strictly party vote of 3 to 4:

Whereas, The present method of spending the town's money whereby the town agent buys goods, discharges and hires help and pays bills without any vote of the board of selectmen is a waste of money and a subversion of proper government, substituting one man for the board elected by the people, and

Whereas, Knowledge of doings of the first selectman is habitually concealed from the public and from the selectmen. Voted, That the board of selectmen hereby protests against this method, so that in case anything detrimental to the town happens, the people may know where the liability rests.

Selectman Brown then introduced a resolution approving the course taken by the town agent, and this was adopted, the republican members voting in favor and the democrats against it.

After this Town Agent Baldwin stated that in a short time it would be necessary to purchase six horses and some carriages for the use of the town, and he added: "Since there has been so much discussion about my buying horses I am just bold enough to ask the board for permission to expend \$1,200 for this purpose. We shall need the horses and carts, and under the circumstances I ask that I may be permitted to purchase them, but of course I shall consult the selectmen, as I did when I bought the other horses."

This proposition met with decided opposition from the democratic selectmen. Selectmen Bretzfelder and Cunningham almost in the same breath moved that the matter be referred to a committee to be appointed by the chairman. Selectman Ludington, however, amended the motion, so that the town agent was authorized to expend \$1,200 for the purpose referred to. The amendment was seconded by Selectman Brown and was adopted by a vote of 4 to 2.

HEALTH BOARD IN SESSION.

At the meeting of the board of health yesterday afternoon Health Officer

REMEMBERED BY FRIENDS.

EWEN MCINTYRE PRESENTED WITH AN ELEGANT WATCH AND CHAIN.

His Friends in Boston, Where He Formerly Lived, Remember Him Handsomely—A Thirty-Second Degree Masonic Charm—A Fine Testimonial From Friends.

A representative of many friends from the Hub, Mr. Ewen McIntyre's first place of residence in America, presented himself yesterday as a delegate to Mr. McIntyre from old time friends in Boston and vicinity, and in a few words presented Mr. McIntyre with a gold watch and chain and a 32d degree Masonic charm, the charm bearing thirty-two diamonds, each diamond representing a degree in the Masonic order. It was closing time, business for the day being over. Mr. McIntyre had just returned from New York. The surprise was a complete one, but Mr. McIntyre's ready wit coming to his assistance he responded in a few well chosen words of thanks. The watch, chain and charm and certainly very fine, and it is rare that as beautiful piece of workmanship is seen in this city. The works and engravings were prepared at Waltham, Mass., especially for this occasion. They are very beautiful. The following is the inscription on the watch:

EWEN MCINTYRE, New Haven, Conn., March, 1885.

From Old Time Friends.

The following testimonial was also presented to Mr. McIntyre from his friends:

Boston, March 6, 1895.

Mr. Ewen McIntyre, New Haven, Conn.:

Dear Sir: Beneath are names of "old time friends" who, from close personal acquaintance and pleasant business relations with you in the past, congratulate you on the completion and opening for business of your new, magnificent and immense "dry goods emporium," elaborately planned, fitted and fixtured, equipped second to none in New England, each and every detail, showing the master hand in its perfection. A glory and credit to the city of New Haven, and well worthy the honorable name of McIntyre above the door. Commencing at the lowest rung of the ladder, you have step by step climbed up with care, push, energy and ability, combined with the closest attention to business, so that your mercantile career has indeed been phenomenal. The occupation by you of this elaborate structure as a "dry goods store" is a fitting endorsement of the adage "Great oaks from little acorns grow," and that persistent, continuous, honest and honorable effort, is surely rewarded by progressive prosperity. You will find names of those who for a score or more years have interestedly followed your progress, and rejoice in your successful efforts, as a leading merchant. You have given your legion of friends abundance of surprises and successful results in your past dry goods history. You, being in the prime of life, your future seems fruitful of further efforts and progress. For this purpose your friends have deemed it wise to watch and time your future with enclosed watch, chain and charm, requesting you to accept the same, not for its intrinsic value, but as a connecting link with "Auld Lang Syne," and to be a daily and hourly reminder of admiring and sincere friends, who on this honoring you honor themselves in being thus privileged to pay to you a testimonial of love and worth, and to a friendship which has endured throughout so many years.

The signers of the testimonial are as follows:

Henry Adams, general manager for Shepard, Norwell & Co., Boston, for twenty-five years; John Porteous, of Porteous & Mitchell, Norwich, Conn., largest in Norwich, with other stores; John Robie of John Robie & Co., of Manchester, N. H., in the largest store in New Hampshire; H. C. Murray of Williamette, largest in Williamette; Peter Murray with Smith, Murray, Springfield, Mass., and five other stores; William McInnes, of Kennedy & McInnes, Pittsfield, Mass., largest store in Pittsfield; Dand A. Nevin, of Puller & Nevin, largest store in New Britain, Conn.; Peter King of King & McLeod, Newport, R. I., largest in that city, with other stores; J. G. Small, Boston, Mass., large dealers in cloaks and suits; Thomas Guthrie, well known representative of Boston Dry Goods company; John W. Weldon, a well known New Yorker, formerly of Boston; John Newman, a substantial and tried New England commercial clerk and suit man; George F. Pollard, New England representative of Farley, Harvey & Co., Boston; H. M. Brooks, one of Boston's most reliable commercial men; L. L. Briggs, New England representative of Arnold, Constable & Co., of New York; J. L. Bates, able representative of Shepard, Norwell & Co., Boston; Fred Brewer, a well and favorably known New England commercial man; A. McPherson, a successful New York lace drummer, formerly a well known Boston boy; J. C. McIntyre, New England representative of Columbia Rubber company, Boston. The majority of the above are those who were associated with Mr. McIntyre in Boston twenty years ago, and this testimonial is confined to former friends of this date. Those friends whose proffers of assistance in this testimonial have been declined will kindly appreciate the situation.

STATE OF BUSINESS.

President Clark of the Consolidated railroad said yesterday that trade over the road was picking up and that things seemed to be brightening. While the freight department of the road was doing a fair business, still he said there was room for "two or three cars more to be filled."

George A. Butler, president of the Trademen's bank, New Haven, stated that it is so good a business with the increase or decrease of trade as it is for the manufacturers, owing to the fact that all dealings in paper in the banks are usually transacted to cover from sixty to ninety days ahead. He believed that there was at present a better feeling in business, and although there is as yet only a slight increase, still it was felt in a materially larger degree.

General S. E. Merwin, president of the Yale National bank, New Haven, could not see any improvement in trade, but believed that in a short time there would be the usual spring spurt, but he did not think it would be any improvement over previous seasons, judging by the present outlook.

F. P. Bennett, the Hartford representative of Bradstreet's agency, said: "We have not suffered as much here as in some places. The general situation among manufacturers is somewhat improved. This is shown by the number of men employed and fuller hours. By this I do not mean that the business is so very much larger, but the manufacturers have gone through the marketing-down process."

George Quimby of the Real Estate company of New Haven, Boston and Springfield, who was interviewed at his Springfield office yesterday, said that in the real estate business there is a better outlook, as there are indications that many new industries will be started in the state, which will require a large amount of land and buildings to be erected. In New Haven his company has received orders for a number of residential and business blocks, which will be commenced as soon as the weather moderates.

DEED IN ORANGE.

Death of Mrs. Robert Redfield.

Mrs. Redfield, wife of Robert Redfield of Orange, the well known contractor, died at her home in Orange, after an illness of several months, at about half-past five o'clock last evening. Her age was sixty-two. She was a member of the Congregational church in Orange, and Rev. Mr. Hunt will officiate at the funeral.